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Merry Christmas

Isaiah 9-6

For unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given;

Happy Birthday, Jesus

Once again the staff of this newspaper joins with all the local business men who send you special Christmas Greetings this hallowed time of year. May God's greatest blessing be bestowed upon you and your loved ones and may peace reign in all the world.

THE AGAWAM NEWS

Conte Report from Washington



What's Congress Doing?

Dear Friend:

December, 1969

Just as the holiday season is a time for wishing our friends joy and peace, so too is it a time for summing up. I have attempted to do this in this last newsletter of 1969. I have outlined some of the vital bills the House of Representatives has passed in this session and I have stressed some of my major efforts. I pledge to you that this work will continue in the next session.

In the United States today we are all aware that the ideal of "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men," mentioned so often in the holiday season, remains as elusive as ever.

It is hard to be joyous while we have a war which daily grows more tragic, a divisive society, fear in our cities, hunger in the land, and mindless destruction of our environment.

Yet the decade of the 1960's now ending, has shown us what we can do when the will is there and when the commitment is made. We have put men on the moon, performed heart transplants, and made giant strides in civil rights, education and in many other areas. We also have begun to perceive the depths of our many problems and to move toward the realization that solutions can and must be found.

Sustained by the confidence that these needed commitments will be made and kept in the decade of the 70's, I send you my warmest personal regards for the holidays. Corinne and the children join me in wishing that the new year will bring you joy and lasting peace.

Cordially yours,

Silvio O. Conte
Silvio O. Conte

sample of 1969 progress:

HOUSE PASSED:

ELECTORAL REFORM — to have Presidents elected by direct popular vote

DRAFT REFORM — to replace present inequitable system with a lottery

TAX REFORM — to give relief to low and middle income people, the elderly, and others; biggest tax overhaul in our history

WATER POLLUTION — approved \$800 million appropriation, largest sum ever

EDUCATION — tacked \$1 billion more on to the Labor-HEW appropriations bill specifically for educational purposes

ABM — to deploy the Safeguard Anti-ballistic Missile system

TRANSPORTATION — to begin funding a mass transit program for the nation; government to invest in supersonic transport plane

FARM SUBSIDIES — to limit exorbitant payments to \$20,000 per farm (passed in House but later dropped by Senate)

COAL MINE SAFETY — to protect the lives and preserve the health of the nation's miners; best legislation in this area ever

DRUGS — to educate and inform the public on dangers of drug abuse

AVIATION — to greatly expand and improve airport and related facilities

COINAGE — to remove government from silver business; authorize minting of \$1 nonsilver coin; remove remaining silver from half-dollar

(I SUPPORTED AND VOTED FOR ALL OF THESE MEASURES EXCEPT THE ABM, WHICH I FAVORED BEING CONTINUED FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, BUT NOT DEPLOYMENT.)

INFLATION:

A DOMESTIC CRISIS

Not until all governmental efforts to cool the economy are joined by restraints from the private sector can we stop the cost of living from soaring at the present 5% to 6%. Congress imposed a spending limit and extended the surtax. The Administration froze federal construction, kept a tight rein on lending. If business and labor curb their price-wage spiral, the total effort should be successful.

A FEW CONTE ISSUES IN 1969:

FARM SUBSIDIES: Although my amendment to limit this bonanza program for the rich was dropped in the Senate, I think some progress was made since this issue is now one of national scope. By getting a \$20,000 ceiling approved in the House, and fighting to keep it intact later, I believe I have helped force a change in our farm program that must include some reform of this annual \$3 billion giveaway.

EDUCATION: A bipartisan battle on the House floor, in which I led the Republican forces, was successful in tacking an additional \$1 billion in educational funds on the Labor-HEW appropriations bill. This money will be used for vital programs in elementary, secondary and vocational schools, student loans, and in many other areas. The loss of these funds would have been a severe blow to our nation's educational system.

CONSUMER PROTECTION: I have waged a two-pronged attack to bring relief to New England from exorbitant heating oil prices. Besides my bill to abolish the oil quotas responsible for the prices, I have concentrated on countering the domestic oil industry's lobbying with

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the Task Force which is studying the quotas. I expect action soon to lower costs and end winter shortages when the Task Force reports to the President.

Deception in sweepstakes promotions was another of my targets. The House Small Business Committee, of which I am senior minority member, investigated the practices, held hearings, and forwarded our record to the Federal Trade Commission which I expect to take action to eliminate the abuses we uncovered. I also introduced the bill to establish an Office of Consumer Affairs in the Executive Branch which, for the first time, would coordinate all protection efforts and be of real assistance to the buyer.

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MUSIC ALUMNI REUNION AT HIGH SCHOOL

Agawam High Christmastime Reunion for music alumni will be held in the H.S. music rooms following the basketball game on Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 9 p.m.

The reunion event has been held for a number of years and will consist of a social hour at which graduates can meet with former classmates and current members of music groups. No formal program is planned although some informal singing will be included. Pictures from past musicals and activities will be available on request with a flexible schedule to meet the wishes of participating graduates.



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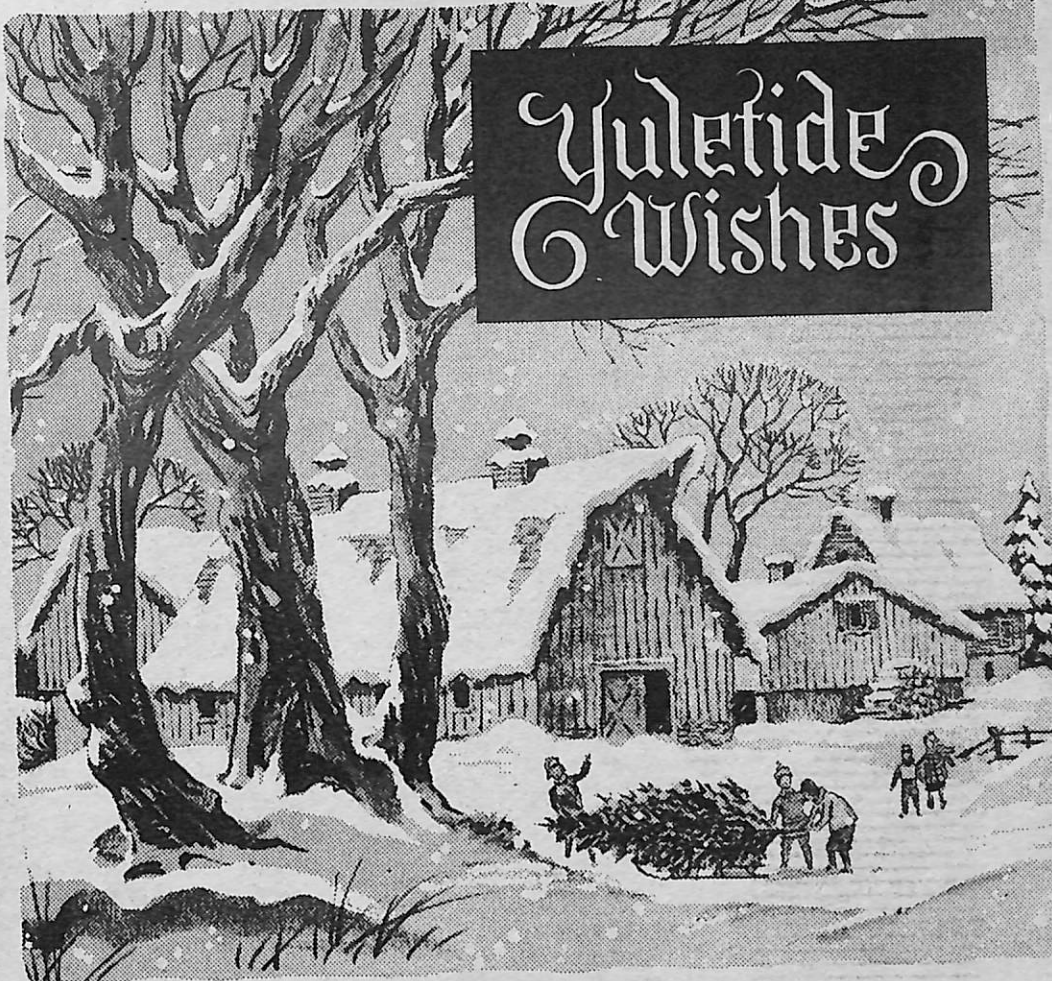
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but. corn, pot. chips, peach shortcake
w/ topping. TUES. — elbow macaroni
w/ meat & tom. sauce, cabbage & carrot
sal., but. french bread, fruit.

GRANGER SCHOOL
MON. — shell macaroni w/ meat & tom.
sauce, green beans, brd. & but., peaches.
TUES. — ju., frank on roll, rel., mustard.

PIERCE SCHOOL
MON. — pork saus. meat w/ gravy, but.
sliced pots., but. carrots, peas, but. w/ honey
sand., citrus fruit cup. TUES. — org. ju.,
hamd. patt. on hot but. roll, but. green
beans, cheese wdg., peas, but. sand. Xmas
dessert.

DANAHY SCHOOL
MON. — ju., hamd. on but. roll, carrots,
banana cake. TUES. — macaroni w/ tom &
meat sauce, brd. & but., but. green beans,
pineapple chunks.

SOUTH ELEMENTARY
MON. — org. ju., chick. soup w/ rice &
carrots, celery, chick. sal. on rye bread.
TUES. — hamd. gravy on mshd.
apple. TUES. — hamd. gravy on mshd.
cup, but. mixed vegs., peas, but. sand, fruit

ROBINSON PARK
MON. — macaroni w/ meat & tom. sauce,
but. green beans, brd. & but., applesauce.
TUES. — org. ju., hamd. in but. bun,
baup., but. carrots, butter cake w/ strawberry
cream topping.

JR. HIGH
MON. — ju., meatball grnds., but. mixed
veg., fruit cup w/ peas, but. cookie. TUES.
veg., fruit cup w/ peas, but. cookie. TUES.
grapefruit sects. w/ cookie.

SENIOR HIGH
MON. — hamd. on roll, candied sw., pot.
but. green beans, mustard, rel., calsp., onion.
TUES. — macaroni w/ meat & cheese
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**DeFORGE WINS VARSITY A
at AMHERST**

Amherst, Mass. — Michael G. DeForge, a 1967 graduate of Agawam H.S., has recently been awarded his first varsity "A" for his performance on the football team at Amherst College. The Lord Jeff squad, after stumbling with the ball at mid-season, roared back to finish with a 6-2 record and a 56 to 2 victory over traditional rival Williams College. Amherst also finished 6th in the voting for the Lambert Cup trophy, emblematic of Eastern small college supremacy.

According to Amherst line coach, Tracy Mehr, "Mike is one of our steadiest performers. Week in and week out he's in there doing his job; he has got to be one of the unsung heroes of the squad." A "2", 215 pound offensive tackle, DeForge is one of those rare players who is strong in every facet of his position. He is big enough to halt opposing ballcarriers in short yardage situations, quick enough to get to the quarterback on a passing down, and a leader by example to the rest of the team.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. DeForge of 137 Florida Drive, Tom graduated from Agawam H.S. as a member of the Nat'l Honor Society and the Internat'l Relations Club. He also won varsity letters in football and track, while last year he was a member of the football and rugby teams.

**COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Hampden ss

PROBATE COURT

To CLIFFORD EUGENE STOVER of New Britain, in the State of Connecticut. A libel has been presented to said Court by your wife ZILDA GRAY NICKERSON STOVER of Agawam, in the County of Hampden, praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of desertion.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, within twenty-one days from the twenty-seventh day of January 1970, the return day of this citation. Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
Dec. 18, 25; Jan. 1.

**COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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PROBATE COURT

To ROBERT WILLIAM MARQUISS, of parts unknown, formerly of Agawam, in said County of Hampden.

A petition has been presented to said Court by DOROTHY ELAINE HOUGHTALING MARQUISS, of said Agawam, formerly of West Springfield, in said County, praying that said petitioner be awarded money damages against said ROBERT WILLIAM MARQUISS for certain items of personal property removed by said ROBERT WILLIAM MARQUISS from the real estate premises at number 52 North Alhambra Circle, in said Agawam and for maliciously damaging the interior of said premises; that the real and personal estate of said ROBERT WILLIAM MARQUISS located at number 58 Alhambra Circle, in said Agawam, being the premises described in a deed recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 2411, Page 47, be attached to the value of ten thousand (\$10,000.) dollars and that a writ of attachment issue therefore; and that said petitioner be allowed her costs and expenses in this proceeding; all as more fully set forth in said petition and for such other and further orders and decrees as equity may require.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file in said Court at Springfield a written appearance and answer or other legal pleading, within twenty-one days after the twentieth day of February 1970, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of December 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
Dec. 18, 25; Jan. 1.

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT

The apple species *Malus pumila*, from which our modern varieties developed, had its origin in southwestern Asia in the area from the Caspian to the Black Sea. The stone age lake dwellers in Central Europe used apples extensively, storing them fresh and preserving them by cutting and drying in the sun.

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LAND COURT**

to the Planning Board for the Town of Agawam;

To the Town of Agawam, a municipal corporation, located in the County of Hampden and said Commonwealth: Florence J. Otto, individually, Executrix, and as Trustee u/w/o Maria V. Bertoldi, or otherwise known as Maria Bertoldi, William Grimaldi, Jeannette Peretti, and Rose Bertoldi, all of said Agawam; Josephine Belleville, of Springfield, in said County of Hampden; Buxton Realty Company, a duly existing corporation, having a usual place of business in said Agawam; Jobar Enterprises, Inc., a duly existing corporation, having a usual place of business in said Agawam; Tremarco Corporation, a duly existing corporation, having a usual place of business in Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania; Sun Oil Company, a duly existing corporation, having a usual place of business in Hartford, in the State of Connecticut; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Albert Grimaldi, of Springfield, James S. Bulkeley, of said Springfield, Richard D. Gelinas, of Chicopee, in said County of Hampden, and Fiore Grimaldi, of said Springfield, all Trustees of the Grimaldi Realty Trust, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Agawam, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by Main Street 232.62 feet; Northwesterly and Southwesterly by land now or formerly of The Sun Oil Co. 99.84 feet and 188.57 feet respectively; Northwesterly by land now or formerly of Buxton Realty Company 182 feet; Northeasterly and Northwesterly by land now or formerly of The Buxton Realty Company 120.22 feet and 69.68 feet respectively; Easterly by land now or formerly of Alfred M. Grasso et al 398.49 feet; and Southeasterly by land now or formerly of Alfred M. Grasso et al and by land now or formerly of Maria Bertoldi 250.00 feet respectively.

Petitioners admit the above described land is subject to Restrictions of record.

The petitioners deny the validity of any other encumbrance or interest in said property disclosed by examination of title.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), or in the office of the Assistant Recorder of said Court at the Registry of Deeds at Springfield in the County of Hampden where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the twenty-ninth day of December next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, ELWOOD H. HETTRICK, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of November in the year nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
MARGARET M. DALY, Recorder
Buckley, Richardson,
Ryan and Burbank, Attys.
83 State Street
Springfield, Mass.
Dec. 4, 11, 18.

**COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Hampden ss

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of MARION R. SCHWARTZ FERRANTI of Agawam, in said County, spendthrift.

The guardian — of said MARION R. SCHWARTZ FERRANTI has presented to said Court his first account for allowance.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirtieth day of December 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of November 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
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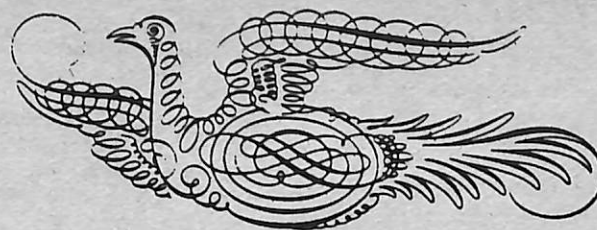
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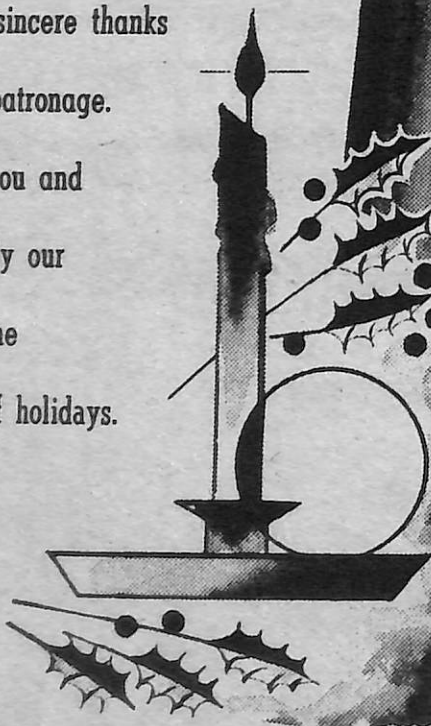
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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AVAILABLE

A 17 page list of scholarships and loan information has been prepared for members of our senior class. Anyone interested may pick up a copy from Mr. Skonick, Guidance Director, at the Agawam High School.

Miss Carol McLean of Agawam is participating in Keuka College's annual field period of work and independent study.

She has left the campus for 5 weeks of service with a community organization.

More than 650 Keuka women are participating in the Nov. field program, while others will satisfy requirements abroad in the summer months.

Carol is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Earl McLean of 14 Greenacre Lane.

TURNPIKE INFO SERVICE

Chairman John T. Driscoll of the Mass. Turnpike Authority announced that the 24-hour Weather and Road Conditions Advisory Service is available for motorists planning Winter travel on the 135-miles of the Mass. Turnpike.

The 24-hour is available by telephoning.

Closest phone in this area is Chicopee, 594-6648 or 594-6649.

T MEN LOOKING FOR HELP

Detecting illegal drug importation, locating sources of counterfeit currency, investigating violations of tax frauds, and protecting the President and his family are some of the assignments which challenge U.S. Treasury enforcement agents.

The U.S. Civil Service Commission is now accepting applications for treasury enforcement agent at GS-5 (\$6,176) and GS-7 (\$7,639) to fill positions in N.E. In order to qualify, applicants must pass a written test and meet the physical requirements. These positions are restricted to men because of the nature of the work.

If you are interested and have at least 3 years of responsible experience, including 2 years of qualifying criminal investigative or comparable experience or a bachelor's degree, contact the nearest Federal Job Info. Center or Post Office for further information.

WNEC RECEIVES \$5000 GRANT

Western New England College has received a capital grant of \$5,000 from the Esso Educat'l Foundation, it was announced today by Pres. Beaumont A. Herman.

The grant, one of 34 to be awarded to private colleges and universities by Esso this year, came in the form of a check for George M. Buckingham, exec. director of the foundation. According to Dr. Herman, the \$5,000 will be applied toward the cost of a classroom-lab building projected in WNEC's current Half Century Campaign.

Dr. Herman expressed appreciation for the grant by noting that the College's Half Century Campaign has now passed the \$700,000 mark on its way toward the local goal of \$1,000,000.

*May Joy and
Peace be yours
throughout the
New Year*

SELECTMAN and MRS. JOSEPH DELLA GIUSTINA

**CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS**

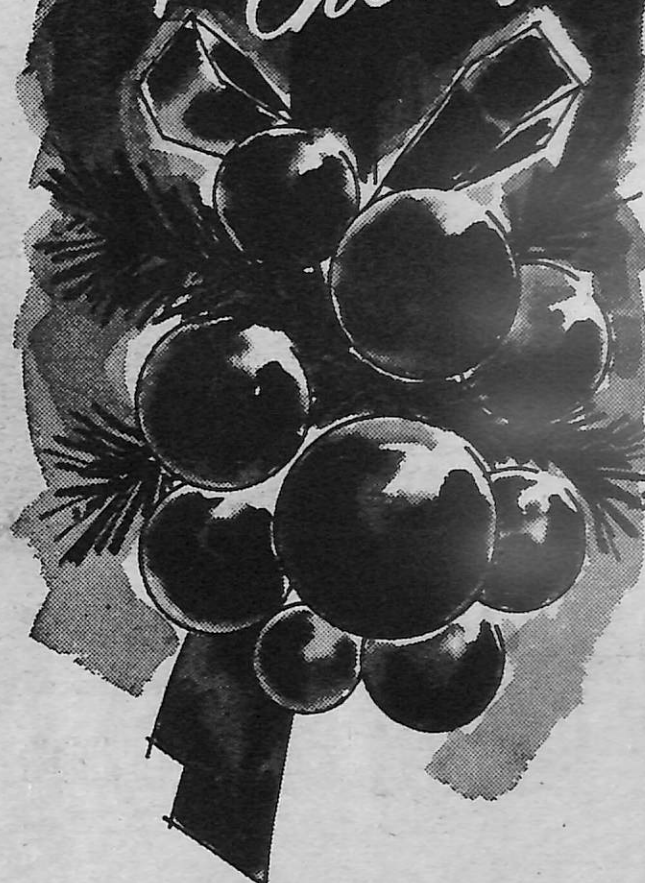
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Merry Christmas
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Sooner or later we all get wise to the fact that fancy wrappings don't always mean that they contain the most wholesome food. But somehow it never occurred to me that a Christmas turkey's wrappings might make one wonder about the quality of the meat — and I don't mean the vacuum-sealed plastic on the outside but rather the holiday tom's very own skin. The news from the U.S. Dep't of Agriculture about some Arkansas turkey ranges has changed my view.


It seems that turkeys fattening for market are bothered by mites or chiggers. Like most of us, when they are nipped and bitten, turkeys scratch. This means that when the turkeys are plucked they carry ugly scars on their skins for all to see. It tends to upset the poultry growers who want to sell only smooth-skinned birds.

To solve blemish problems, some poultry farmers have apparently treated their turkey range-land with heptachlor, one of the chlorinated hydrocarbon pesticides. In early October some 90,000 flowless, smooth turkeys at a Minnesota processing plant were found to contain "varying amounts," reportedly up to 5 parts per million, of heptachlor residue, and 150,000 live turkeys and 4 million pounds of turkey meat were yanked off the market by the U.S.D.A.

Officials declined to admit that the sprayed fields and the contaminated turkeys have any definite connection, but they did say they had traced all of the contaminated birds, and that none of the heptachlor-laced birds have reached the retail market. Let's hope so. There is no tolerable level of heptachlor allowed in meat and poultry by Food and Drug Administration regulations.

Perhpas we could all remind government officials when we write to thank them for the curtailment of DDT that they seem to have slighted the other persistent pesticides. I know that I certainly intend to let the Dep't of Ag. know that I'd rather serve my family a turkey with a few nicks and scratches on its skin than one seasoned with a dose of heptachlor.

Merry Christmas



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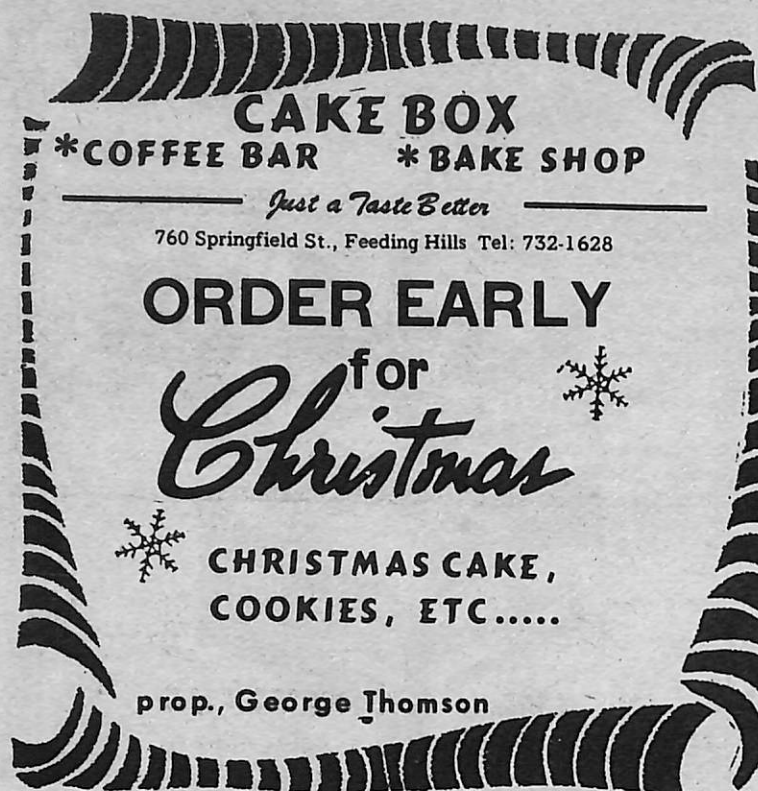


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